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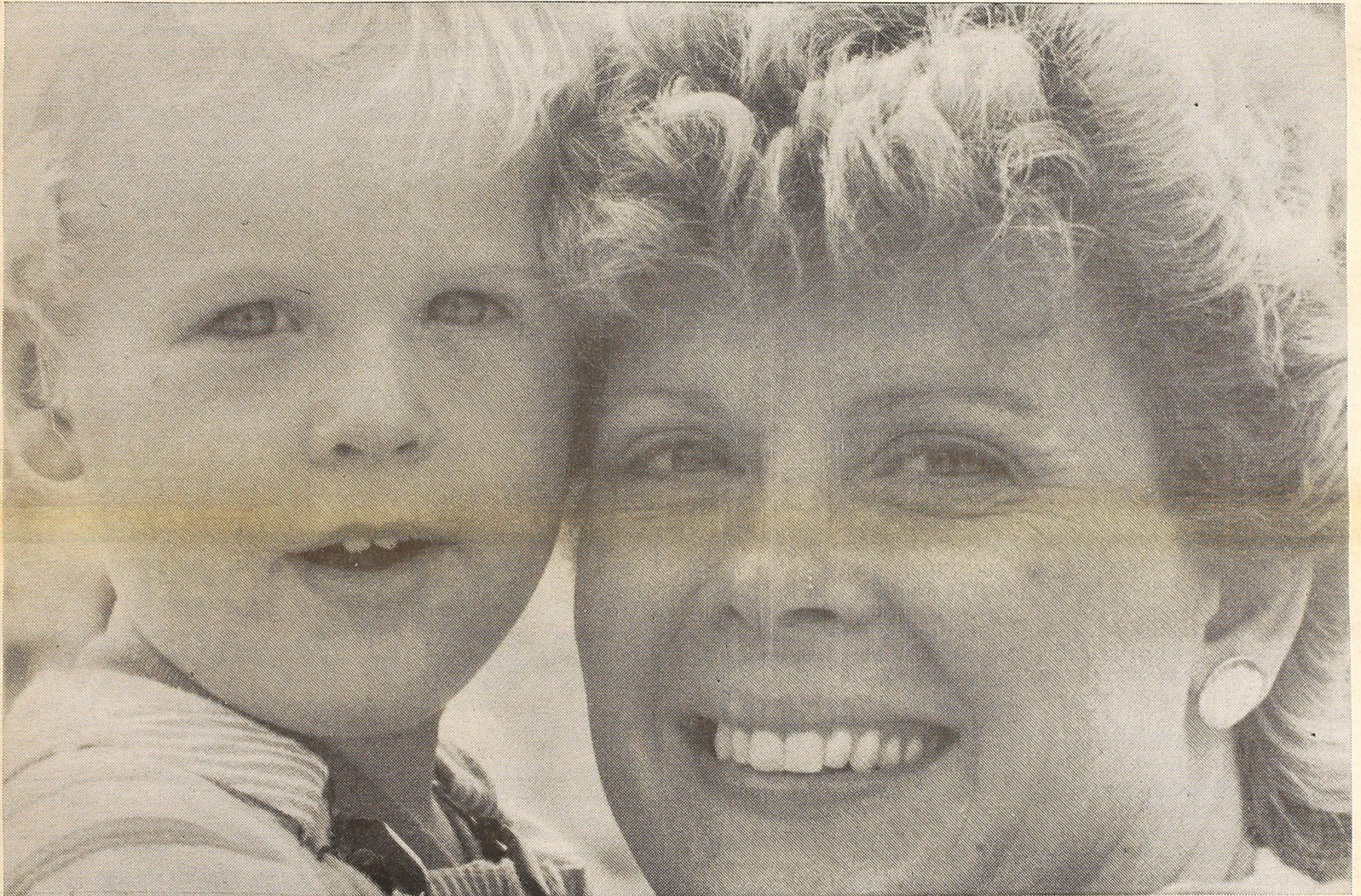
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Fun Day at Arts & Crafts Fair



A proud mother and her happy son enjoyed themselves at the Arts & Crafts Fair, which was sponsored by the Romulus Arts Council.

by D. A. Atkins

The Arts & Crafts Fair met with a fair amount of success last Saturday. The day was absolutely beautiful, and the people in attendance had a great time browsing through the thousands of hand-crafted items on display.

There were more than twice last year's number of vendors this year, which was really terrific. More participation by the crafts people and more participation by the ones who work so diligently on the committee is what made everyone's day — everyone, that is, who attended.

The people who worked so hard at putting this thing together deserved a much better turnout than the one displayed Saturday.

It has been years since such a concerted effort has been made to get anything this nice going in Romulus. Some-

times it seems, however, that the more things are organized for the people in this town, the more apathy there is. It sure is discouraging to those who want to be active and involved.

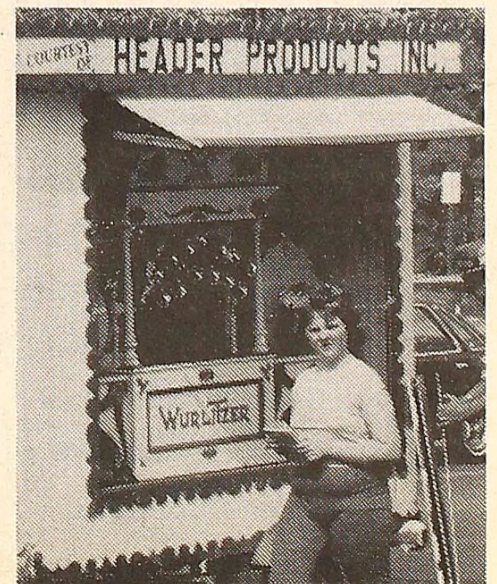
Other than the food vendor's failure to show up, there were no problems at all at the fair, and that one was handily dealt with by a young lady and a few of her friends. They conjured up a food table consisting of hot dogs, popcorn, pop, and various other items that were both tasty and reasonably priced.

It is the feeling of some, especially Gloria Chandler, that, if the crafts people continue coming to the fair each year, it will soon be like the Applefest in New Boston, with many different wares available and many, *many* people to buy those wares.

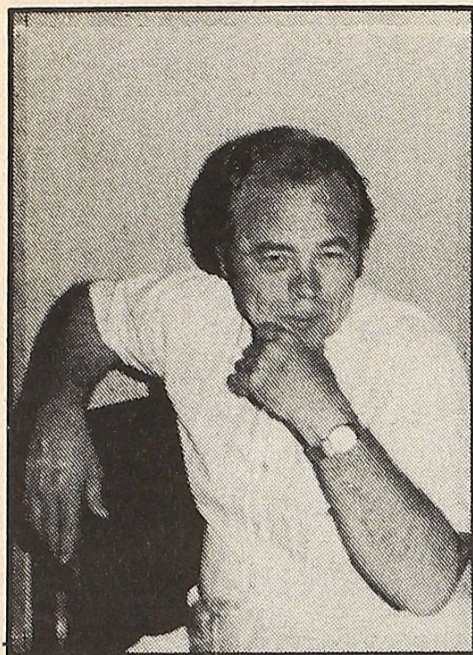
The Arts & Crafts Fair was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Congratulations are in order for the



organizing committee and for everyone else who took part in this great display of talent by our local people. □



THE EDITOR'S OPINION



If that section of Wayne has very much heavy-truck traffic (and we all know it will), then it is very unlikely that the widened parts will last the winter without breaking apart and separating, and that would be a waste of our tax dollars. The City of Romulus had to pay over \$60,000 for its portion of the re-surfacing and widening of Wayne Road and, according to City Treasurer James Napiorkowski, it was paid for without seeing any of the specifications on the road improvements.

When I questioned him about the possibility of waiting until the quality of work could be judged before paying out such a large sum to the County, he said he was not sure about the legalities of such a proposal, but that he thought he would check into it.

After all of the problems we have had over Wayne Road, it would certainly be hoped that the work will go well and the road will stay in good condition. □

by D. A. Atkins

Several issues ago, I wrote an article on the widening and re-surfacing of Wayne Road from Goddard to Wick. That job, which began the same day I wrote the story, is now in full swing, and probably will be nearly complete by the time this paper reaches you.

Even though I believe that Wayne Road needed to be widened, there are a couple of things I wonder about. For instance, just how well is the job being done, and how long will it last? Is the money for the project being spent in the most beneficial, cost-effective manner, or is the whole thing just a waste of tax dollars by the County? I ask these questions because the construction method used seems dubious to me, but we probably won't find the answers until the end of winter.

The areas to be widened were dug out and, as far as I could tell, there was no foundation except the ground to support the asphalt used to do the job. In other words, the original part of Wayne Road, which was re-surfaced, has a concrete base which has been there for many years, but the newly constructed part has no foundation other than the ground on which it was built.

streets. These overlap hours can be planned for peak criminal activity hours as determined by Police Management studies. During hours of lower criminal activity single shifts (which are slightly lower in manpower under the 10 hr. system than the 8 hr. system) can be planned. Flexibility to deal effectively with changing patterns of criminal activity is further enhanced if Police Management chooses to utilize more than three 10 hour shifts per day.

Under the 10 hour system each Officer works the same 4 days each week and is off the same 3 days each week instead of the traditional 8 hour system where work days and off days are on a constant cycle of rotation. This allows Police Management the ability to assign more manpower to heavy criminal activity days and less manpower to lighter activity days rather than the constant manpower levels of the 8 hr. system.

Under the 8 hour system there are periods during the work day at shift changes when no Romulus Patrol Officers at all are on the streets for up to 20 minutes at a time. This problem would be eliminated by the 10 hour system due to the overlap of shifts.

The 10 hr. system results in less overtime expenses to the Romulus Taxpayer. This is documented in City

records for the years 1985 & 1986 when Romulus Patrol Officers worked 10 hr. shifts.

Police work is one of the most stressful occupations in existence according to the experts on Mental Health.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. Atkins,

In a recent article you concluded that the Romulus Police Dept. needs more detectives but doesn't have the money to pay for them.

It is my opinion that the Police Dept. doesn't need to spend more money to have more detectives. More efficient assigning of existing Patrol Officers would result in less Patrol Officers needed to effectively police the City's streets. This would free up several officers to be assigned to Detective duties.

A switch from the traditional 8 hrs. a day, 40 hrs. a week work schedule to a 10 hrs. a day, 40 hrs. a week work schedule for Romulus Patrol Officers would provide for this added efficiency.

Under this system there are three 10 hr. shifts per day for a total of 30 shift hours in a 24 hr. day. This leaves 6 hours of overlap during a day when double shifts of Patrol Officers are on the

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The DPW Is Looking Good

by D. A. Atkins

The new uniforms the Department of Public Works (DPW) employees are wearing look very impressive. Actually, the uniforms aren't really new — the DPW has had them for two years — but the workers were never made to wear them until recently. Jim Panos, the new DPW Director, said that, since the City has already paid for them, the workers will be required to wear the uniforms while on duty.

Speaking of the DPW, have you noticed the excellent job that the workers have done on the new sidewalks at the railroad crossing Downtown and on Bibbins near the old Post Office? Now, you can walk across the tracks at the crossings without taking the chance of breaking an ankle.

The new Assistant Director of the DPW, Melvin Zilka, was seen last week with a clean-up crew, flushing out the drains Downtown. The drains have presented a serious problem since all the

of the beautification business. It seems that, every time we have a big downpour of rain, water flows over the sidewalk, making it difficult for people to go from their cars to their destinations without getting soaked. (It is even worse during the winter months, when there is a lot of slush and snow.)

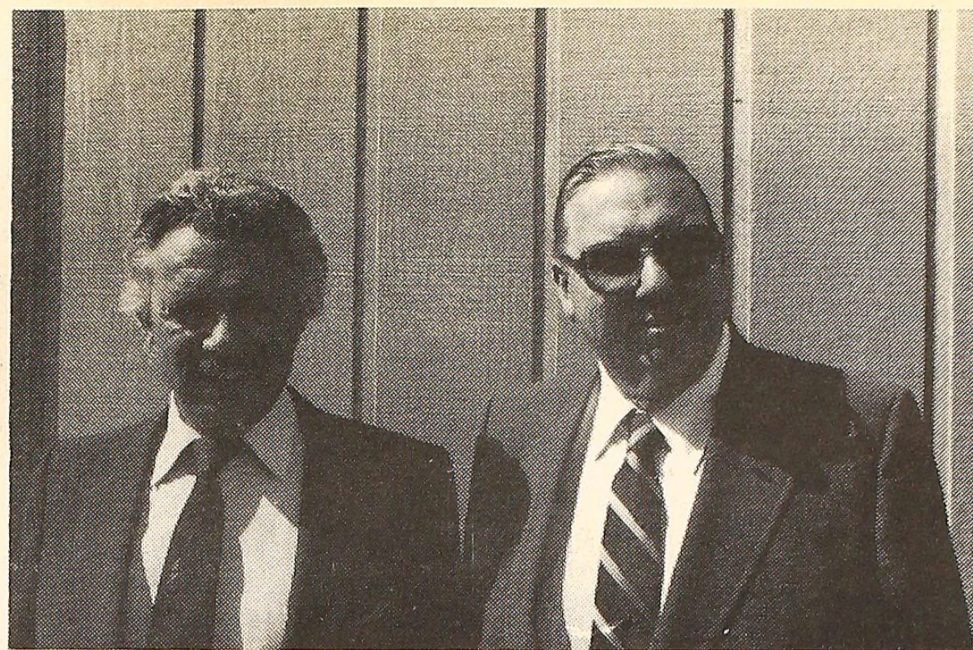
The DPW employees are doing a good job. It's nice to see those drains being cleaned. □

Bicycle Safety Course

Girl Scout Troop 704 will be holding a Bicycle Safety Course on Saturday, October 1, at Elmer Johnson Park here in Romulus.

This event is being sponsored by various businesses, and there is no charge to the kids who participate. Any child who can ride a two-wheeler qualifies to receive a card and a patch.

Over 50 kids have already registered for this class, which is limited to 200 participants. If you would like to register, please contact Kristine DeTroyer at 941-1574. □



Jim Panos, DPW Director, and Mel Zilka, DPW Assistant Director



DPW workers and vacuum truck clean Downtown drains

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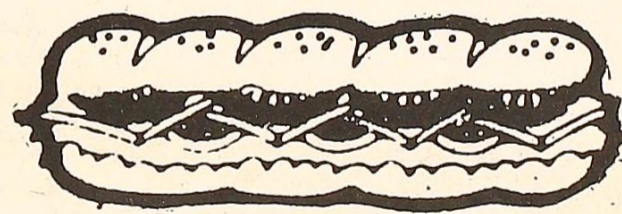
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Letters to the Editor

Police Officers on the 10 hour system are less stressed, more enthusiastic, have higher moral levels, and generally perform better service because they have more days off at closer intervals than the present 8 hr. system.

The Romulus Police Officers would like to work this more efficient system. The Police Chief isn't even interested in talking about it. Why, I don't know. He has never given a reasonable answer.

If you wish to further investigate this matter I will help you in any way possible.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Tim O'Neil

President of Romulus

Police Officers Assn.

Dear Mr. Adkins —

Sorry I haven't been able to contact you about the sidewalk. (I) we love it. Only been on it once to Church. You see I've been laid up for nearly 6 wks. I hurt my leg — Then I fell & ended up in Hosp. Then in a brace from hip to toe & wheel chair — oh me! What a mess — but I'm going for therapy now & starting on a knee brace to help me get around — But you can't keep me down. I'll be doing soon.

I do want you to know the seniors in this Bldg. love the new sidewalks around here & also over by post office — Thanks all to you. Eva H. my friend that drove us to Council meetings has been very ill & was a wk. in Hosp. She's coming along good now & Clara has been on a trip with her family etc. So when we can we'll be to Council meetings — I keep up by the paper & I love the "little" paper & I send it up north quite a bit. Again a "Big" thank you for the sidewalk. I got a chuckle out of "Someone" saying you run City Hall."

Well it's time. I miss going, as my late husband & I went to all meetings.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Youth Job Program a Success

by Chris Powers

The Michigan Summer Youth Employment Training Program, along with the Michigan Youth Corp (MYC), employed approximately 135 youths between the ages of 14 and 22 for eight weeks this summer.

These youths were employed at various locations within the City of Romulus. The older participants were placed at the Help Center, the Department of Public Works (DPW), the Wayne County Road Commission, the Wayne County Sheriff Department, Family & Neighborhood Services, and the Wayne County Intermediate School District. Younger participants were located at the Romulus Recreation Department, Coleman Center, and Birch Run Cooperative.

The largest majority of the participants worked in the school district. Custodial crews worked at Merriman, Beacon, Halecreek, Mt. Pleasant, Cory, Hayti, and the Senior High.

A unique feature of this program was the five crews staffed by school-district personnel. These crews performed special tasks with approximately 10 youths per crew.

Bill Baum supervised a crew which cleaned the rooftop air-conditioning unit on all of the buildings. Eleanor Green's crew was responsible for maintaining the grounds at various school sites. Cathy Grizzle and her "Grizzle Boys" were primarily doing playground upgrading, and assisted other crews in painting and landscape work. Henry Hooks supervised a crew doing outdoor painting, delivery of supplies, and furniture moving. Dorothy Murray's crew was an indoor paint crew, but also was responsible for the job of painting the playground equipment.

Students cited for exemplary performance of duties were Tabrese Brown, John Cooley, Virgil Davis, William Forbes, Kyle Foster, Richard Liberty, Michelle McLain, Michael Overstreet, and Donald Wood.

The program was a big success this summer, with many positive comments by both supervisors and participants. Many commented the time went by too quickly, but a lot of work was accomplished. The worksites were sorry to see the participants leave. □

DDA Does Something

by D. A. Atkins

At the last meeting of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), its members finally got something worthwhile accomplished.

All agreed to agree to see about getting a parking lot in the Downtown Area; they did not agree, however, as to the means for its funding, even though it is badly needed.

The Mayor suggested that, possibly, they could borrow the funds from the City and repay the money at a later date. That sounded like a fair way to do it, since the DDA has a limited amount of funds at its disposal at present.

The TIFA (Tax Increment Finance Authority) plan was discussed, along with the possibility of a two-mill tax in the DDA area. Also mentioned as a po-

tential means of obtaining funds for some of the projects that need to be taken care of in the Downtown Area is the selling of bonds.

As far as the re-routing of Goddard is concerned, a proposition was made to re-examine the currently proposed route (which would only straighten the

bend in the road somewhat) and compare it with a proposal which would straighten the road even more. This was done because some members feel that the current proposal will not make a big-enough change to be effective, and that the matter should be more carefully examined before such a large and expensive undertaking is begun.

According to Dennis Oakes, more was accomplished at this meeting than in the past several meetings combined.

Lastly, we may be seeing some new faces on the DDA, which should mean we'll also be getting some new ideas and input. It is believed that two members have resigned and that they will be replaced before the next meeting. Also, Jim Napiorkowski, City Treasurer, was appointed as Treasurer of the organization. □

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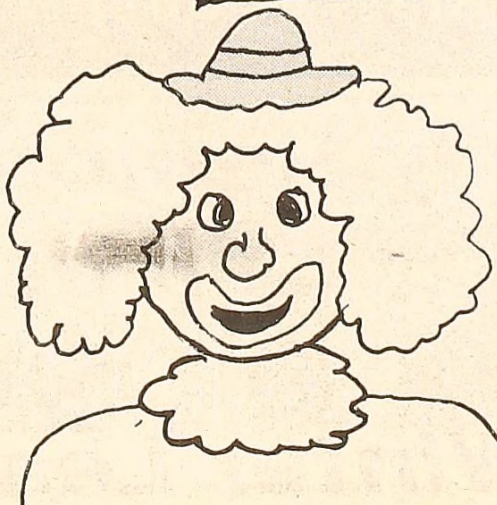


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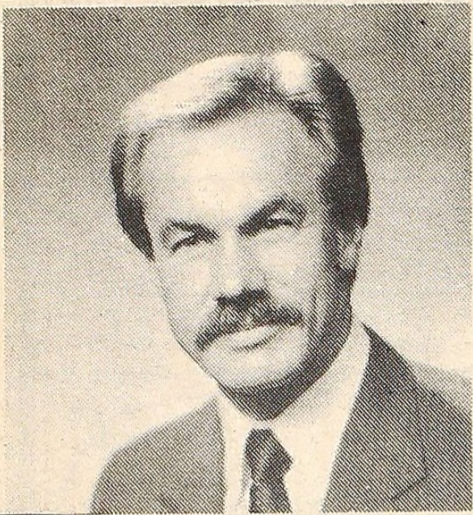
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KOSTEVA'S REPORT



James Kosteva, State Representative, 37th District

Voters To Consider an Environmental/ Recreation Bond Proposal

Voters in the November 8 election will consider a proposal to allow the sale of State bonds to fund massive environmental clean-up projects and public recreation improvements. The bond sale would raise at least \$300 million for environmental clean-up, \$125 million for solid waste disposal projects, \$75 million to improve local wastewater treatment facilities, \$150 million for local and State public recreation improvements, and \$125 mil-

lion for Great Lakes protections and economic development projects intended to increase recreational opportunities and attract more tourists to the State.

New Law Protects Public Interest in Land Transfers

When private property turned over for public use is discovered to be contaminated by chemical spills, the new municipal owners can face great additional expenses for clean-up and restoration. A new State law allows Michigan public agencies considering a parcel of land for acquisition to enter the property to survey, appraise, measure, take photographs, and carry out environmental inspections. Previous State law empowered the agency to appraise parcels of land but did not specifically authorize environmental tests.

New Budget Sends More Money Back to State Communities

Over \$1.1 billion in tax revenues will be returned to cities, counties and townships across Michigan in the Fiscal Year 1988 State Budget, including: the highest-ever appropriation for general revenue sharing payments, over \$54 million for programs and services for older Michigan residents, \$17 million in grants to support local efforts to prevent juve-

nile crime and increase drug law enforcement, and more than \$34 million in new State revenues, raised through the increased cigarette tax, to county health and law enforcement programs and for property tax reduction.

House Members Investigate Lending Practices

A special House committee is examining possible violations of State banking and civil rights laws by Michigan financial institutions. Published reports have shown that significantly fewer home and business loans are being made in urban communities than in suburban areas. The committee members, who will hold public hearings throughout Michigan in the months ahead, will determine the extent of possible discriminatory lending practices and develop legislative action to ensure that all loan applicants have equal access to available capital.

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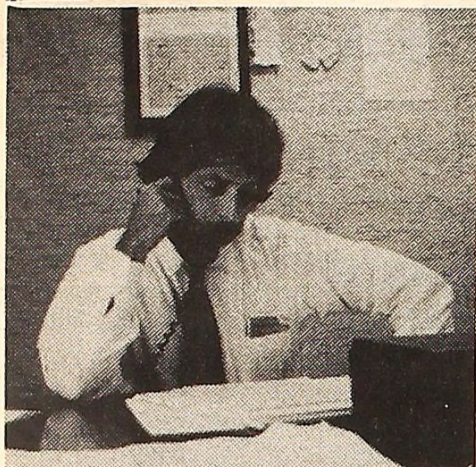
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by Murray A. Duncan, Jr., Attorney

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Q. Can the police issue a drunk-driving ticket to a person driving on private property?

A. Operating a motor vehicle under the influence of intoxicating liquor is prohibited in all places open to the public, including parking places. Thus, if the private property in question is

open to the general public, then an O.U.I.L. ticket may legally be issued.

Q. Do the police have to read me my rights when I'm pulled over for drunk driving?

A. Generally, no. The police have to advise an individual of his rights before questioning when that person is in custody or otherwise deprived of freedom of action in a significant way. Roadside questioning of a driver to determine possible intoxication does not amount to interrogation and therefore Miranda rights do not have to be given.

If you have a legal question that you would like answered, you may send your question to my office and I will attempt to answer your question in this paper's next issue. Questions should be mailed to: Murray A. Duncan, Jr., 10000 South Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174. □

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Substance Abuse Prevention '88

What Are Codependents and Enablers?

by Jacque Martin-Downs, M.A.

Have you ever looked at a friend or relative and said, "Why does s/he stay in that relationship? What s/he tolerates seems so unhealthy?"

Who are these people who stay in relationships that are filled with intolerable behavior such as physical, sexual, emotional, or verbal abuse? We label these behaviors as codependent or enabling behaviors because they are: "Self-defeating, learned behaviors that diminish our capacity to initiate or participate in loving relationships." (Larsen, Earnie. *State II Relationships*, 1987.)

These people lack the capacity to: know who they are, take care of themselves first, get close to others but keep their own identity and separateness, give or receive compliments, find life comfortable, enjoy being alone without feeling lonely, and, finally, they are unable to change their lives and take risks that will lead to a more positive lifestyle.

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are especially common for people who grew up in unhealthy, 'dysfunctional' homes, i.e., alcoholic, religiously neurotic, or rigid households.

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SCHOOL SPORTS 'N' NEWS

Light Problems Continue

by Fred Coleman, Athletic Director of Romulus Schools

I really want to apologize to all of our football fans for the tremendous problems that have been created by the loss of one of our light poles on the football field. This has created quite an inconvenience

for our team members, their parents, and our community supporters.

Please see the boxed information on this page for the tentative football schedule for the rest of the year, based on the current available information regarding this light problem.

Thank you for all your patience. □

Romulus Community Schools

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

Regular Meeting, August 22, 1988

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held Monday, August 22, 1988, was called to order by President Berlinn at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Berlinn.

Approval of Agenda:

Dr. Bedell recommended the following addition to the Agenda: Under Report of the Superintendent add Item C. 1. "Milk Bids".

8/88/12 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Kesner the Board approve the Agenda as amended by Dr. Bedell. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

8/88/13 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley the Board approve the Minutes of July 25 and August 8, 1988, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public:

Mr. Fred Coleman, Romulus Schools' Athletic Director, was introduced. Four students participated in Summer Athletics: Laurie Berlinn (State AAU Basketball and team Jr. Olympics), Jennifer Daniel, Michele Scarrow and Angie Slawinski (Summer Softball Program that finished 24th in the Country).

Report of the Superintendent:

Personnel Actions

Dr. LeCesne recommended the following Personnel Actions for Board approval: **A. Employment:** Julie Price, Prog. Ass't. - Beacon (Prob.), Eff. 8/22/88. **B. Resignation:** Michael Abdo, Teacher - Merriman, Other Employment, Eff. 8/31/88.

8/88/14 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Patterson the Board approve the Personnel Actions as presented by Dr. LeCesne. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

8/88/15 Moved by Bales supported by Wilkerson the Board approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Administrator Carr. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Life Insurance Quotes

8/88/16 Moved by King supported by Patterson the Board accept the quote from Selective Benefit Plan, Inc., to place our life insurance with Sun Life of Canada for the year 1988-89. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Milk Bids

8/88/16 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley the Board of Education award the milk contract for the 1988-89 school year to Twin Pines Dairy. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Proposed Bond Issue

A consensus was taken to place a Bond Issue (building repair and high technology) on the November, 1988, Ballot providing an acceptable proposal is presented to the Board of Education and approved. Members Patterson, Langley, Wilkerson, Berlinn, King and Kesner were for placing the Bond Issue on the ballot. None were against it; however, Member Bales did not vote.

City Request - T.I.F.A.

8/88/17 Moved by Patterson supported by Bales the Board approve the sending of a letter which the City of Romulus requested in regard to T.I.F.A., supporting the interchange at I-94 and Vining Road. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Permission to Bid Garage Door

8/88/18 Moved by Bales supported by Patterson the Board of Education authorize the administration to seek bids for 9 garage doors and 5 electric door openers for the maintenance shops, warehouse and bus garage. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Summer Projects Report

Joel Carr gave a report on summer projects.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. Bedell discussed the following Items of Interest with Board Members: 1) Articles of Interest - Ed Wilkerson; 2) State Letter - Home Ec Teacher; and 3) Finance Minutes.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Member Patterson: Inquired about paving project - Sr. High, asked about bus routes - Merriman, and asked when next Finance Meeting would be as had been appointed to the Committee by President Berlinn.

Member King: Asked about scheduling of classes - Sr. High. Complimented report about goals and objectives.

Member Langley: Asked about T.I.F.A.'s

Member Berlinn: Commented on publication of *Headlines* (a State school publication).

Administrator LeCesne: Commented on Employee Recognition Program.

Executive Session - Negotiations

This item was deleted from this meeting.

Adjournment:

8/88/19 Moved by Kesner supported by Wilkerson the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel R. Bales, Secretary

Romulus Board of Education

ROMULUS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE — FALL 1988

Varsity Football

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
F	Sept. 23	Bedford	Away	7:30
F	Sept. 30	Ypsilanti	Home	7:30
		(using portable lights, we hope)		
F	Oct. 7	Ann Arbor Huron	Away	7:30
F	Oct. 14	Milan (Homecoming)	Home	7:30
		(using portable lights, we hope)		
F	Oct. 21	Willow Run	Away	7:30
F	Oct. 28	Belleville	Away	7:30

Head Coach: Norbert Glover

Assistant Coaches: Bill Barnes, Jim Carlisle, Glen Free, Duayne Harper, Dan Stearn

Junior Varsity Football

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Th	Sept. 22	Bedford	Home	5:00
Th	Sept. 29	Ypsilanti	Away	7:00
Th	Oct. 6	Ann Arbor Huron	Home	5:00
Th	Oct. 13	Milan	Away	7:00
Th	Oct. 20	Willow Run	Home	5:00
Th	Oct. 27	Belleville	Home	5:00

Cross Country

by Jennifer Daniel

The Romulus Cross Country teams kicked off their season September 8 in a tri-meet against Gibraltar Carlson and Wyandotte. The girls, with Yvette Mason and Dasha Ray finishing on top for Romulus, split, beating Wyandotte but losing to Gibraltar Carlson. The boys, with Ricky Liberty finishing first for Romulus, came up short, losing to both teams.

Their second meet, against a very tough Ypsi team that also happens to be our league rival, ended up in a disappointment for the Eagles. With Tim Gondek finishing third for the boys and Yvette Mason finishing sixth for the girls, the Eagles just didn't have enough for the win.

In the team's third meet, which was against Garden City, the Eagles came out strong, giving it all they had, but just came up short of the win, 27-28. Once again, Yvette and Dasha led the way for the team.

Coach Dan Henry is proud of his team, and says, "Their times are getting better each meet."

The Eagles will compete against Southgate at 4 p.m. on September 22. Hope to see you there! □

Varsity Girls' Basketball

by Laurie Berlinn

The Varsity Lady Eagle basketball team started out its season in its own Romulus Invitational. The Lady Eagles played a strong Wayne team, hanging tough until the end, but lost a three-point decision, 47-44. In the meantime, Grosse Ile and Taylor Center went at it, with Taylor Center coming out on top, 53-50 (Q.T.)

The second day of the tournament had Romulus vs. Grosse Ile in the consolation round and Wayne vs. Taylor Center for the Championship.

Once again, Romulus had a chance to get its first win of the season, but lost to Grosse Ile, 35-50. Wayne and Taylor Center had a tough time playing against each other and, after four periods, the score was tied at 46 all. In the overtime, Wayne got a couple quick baskets, but Taylor came back with a basket of its own each time. At the end of the three extra minutes, Wayne came out on top, 51-50, and won the Championship.

In their first game of the regular season, the Lady Eagles played a tough Ypsi-Lincoln team. The ladies worked hard to keep the lead and, in the final seconds, Tara Tyus make a game-winning basket to put the Eagles ahead, 51-50, at the buzzer. Also helping in offense was Sue Molenda, with game-high 13 points, and Laurie Berlinn, close behind with 12. On the defensive end, putting in a tough workout were Carletta Jackson, Malika Williams, and Jennifer Daniel. Lynette Cain, Shannon DuDonis, Giawana Lee, and Shavonna Chatmon were also a threat in the back court.

In its first South Central Conference League game, Romulus went up against last year's League Champs, Adrian.

The Lady Eagles couldn't seem to get the ball through the hoop in the first quarter, but came back in the second with some offense. The third quarter had the ladies right in the game with Adrian but, in the fourth, the Eagles couldn't keep it up. They lost a tough game to the Maples, 48-41. □

More School Sports and News

Varsity Golf

by Fred Coleman

Our very young and inexperienced golf team saw in the past two weeks what it will take to become State-level contenders in this sport.

A team made up of mainly sophomores competed in the prestigious Adrian Maple Invitational with 18 of the best Varsity teams in all of Eastern Michigan. Led by a round of 89 by sophomore Eddie Tank, our team recorded the best scores ever for our program, but still finished down in the overall standings.

"Teams in this tournament are very good, but our youngsters had some good scores, all things considered," stated Coach Bill Knight.

Also impressive were sophomore Ben Good, who shot 91 for the day but had a 42 on the back nine, and Chris Vavro who started out with a 40 but slipped to a 50 on the back nine for a score of 90 for the day. Junior Bob Durocha and senior first-year player Jeff George contributed a 95 and 103 for the day, also.

"Our overall record is now 2-1 in dual meets and, although we haven't scored well as a team in tournaments yet, the improvement is showing more each time we go out. This is going to be a good team this year, and a great team in the next two," added Coach Knight. □

Varsity Football

by Laurie Berlinn and Jennifer Daniel

Playing in its first League game on September 9, the Varsity Football team suffered a loss against the team of Ann Arbor Pioneer.

The defending State Champs came out strong with two touchdowns and three extra points to make the score 15-0 in the first quarter.

Romulus came out with great defense in the second, but let the Pioneers slip by them to boost their score to 21-0.

The third quarter had Romulus making an 18-yard run, but the Eagles couldn't convert that into a touchdown.

Pioneer came back out in the fourth and played a great quarter, making the final score 43-0 in favor of Ann Arbor.

Though the score didn't show it, the Eagles played one heck of a defensive game, holding Pioneer to only 100 yards running. The Eagles worked hard and learned a lot about their quarterback.

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On Friday, September 16, the Eagles faced arch-rival Adrian in what proved to be an excellent football game. After last year's shutout from the Maples, the Eagles came back with something to prove but fell just short, 12-6.

In the first quarter, the Maples scored on a 70-yard pass play when an Eagle defender slipped and fell, giving the Maples a 6-0 lead. In the second

quarter, the Eagles' defense held the Maples but, on fourth and 22, a defensive error led to a 36-yard pass, giving the Maples another touchdown and raising the score, 12-0.

Toward the end of the first quarter, the Eagles' offense was working hard. At the seven-yard line, with three yards to go for the first down, junior quarterback Robert Hoth scored the Eagles' first touchdown on a seven-yard "naked reverse," bringing the halftime score to 12-6, Maples.

In the second half, the Eagles came out strong defensively. Key tackles were made by Ricardo Donald, Tim Kosikowski, and Malcolm Rachal. Two of the best plays of the game were made by the middle-linebacker Thom Patterson when he intercepted an Adrian pass at Adrian's three-yard line, denying the touchdown, and by defensive-end Scott Murawski, whose sack of the quarterback on fourth down returned the ball to the Eagles' offense.

A tough Adrian defense prevented the Eagles from scoring, which ended the game with the half-time score of 12-6.

At the end of the game, Coach Dan Stern summed it up by saying, "We got burned deep on a couple of early passes, we made adjustments and played good defense, but Adrian played good, also!"

The Eagles travel to Bedford on Friday, September 23, for a 7:30 contest. The next Eagle home game will feature undefeated, and pre-season South Central Conference Champion favorite, Ypsilanti. The game is tentatively scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., as we hope to have the portable lights installed by then. □

Junior Varsity Football

by Fred Coleman

New Coaches Bill Barnes and Jim Carlisle have embarked on a young season in the South Central Conference, and are now understanding the level of competition that this league brings.

"These teams come to play," stated Coach Carlisle, "but we really haven't been blown out this season. In fact, if we could cut down our mistakes deep in our own territory, most of the touchdowns against us would not be on the board."

The young Eagles have gone 0-3 this season, with very close games against Ann Arbor Pioneer and Taylor Truman.

"A couple of breaks our way, and we'd have beat Pioneer," said Coach Barnes. "Now, Adrian, on the other hand, seemed to control us from the beginning (36-0 final score). They just didn't let our offense move the ball at all, and our defense just got tired. We play a lot of our kids both ways because many of our players came out too late to be eligible for these first few games. Next week, we pick up a few more, and

I hope we can reduce the number of guys going both ways. Some of these guys needed to be there August 15 when we started and they would be ready now, but I think we will put on a good show Thursday when we play home for the first time against Bedford," he concluded.

Game time, because of the light situation, will be 5 p.m. Hope to see all our fans there. □

From the A.D.

by Fred Coleman, Athletic Director of Romulus Schools

Come this November, you will have an opportunity to make two very important decisions that will have long-lasting effects on athletes in Romulus.

One, obviously, is who is going to run our country, and that seems to always have an effect on our community in some way. The second is probably the most exciting prospect that I have seen adopted by our Board of Education in the 20 years I have been here.

As the Athletic Director and resident of our city, I have obviously paid very close attention to this plan, and I hope that you, also, will look closely at this upcoming Bond Issue and see the tremendous benefits it will bring our young people.

You can vote for this and see some tremendous restructuring of our current facilities and the development of some new areas, and all this *without an increase in your taxes*. I do not want to go into a lengthy explanation of this program now, but I hope that all of you will look into this concept and study the information as I have. I cannot see any reason to not support this concept, as the pluses for our total education and the development of our community far outweigh any negatives.

I hope that all Romulus adults will see the benefit to our community that these 'yes' votes will bring but, mainly, I hope that those of you who have sons or daughters involved in our programs now, or who will have children or grandchildren involved in the future, will see the overall impact of these issues and the effects that they will have on the future of our education programs in Romulus.

I still have not had one person who has actually been in our Junior High and High School to see our programs, and then compared them to other schools in this area, come back and tell me that we're doing a poor job. With the continued support of our community and the passage of this unique development program, I foresee the establishment of the best educational system in Wayne County. I hope you all can get as excited about the possibility of this program as I am, but, more importantly, I hope you seek correct information and avoid all of the erroneous rumors that seem to abound at election time. I know these 'yes'

votes are *not going to raise my taxes one penny*; therefore, they will not raise yours, and our educational system will benefit greatly from the development of these new facilities.

Thank you. □

A Visit Home

Ex-Romulus resident Patty (Ellis) O'Dell and her husband, Dave, recently came to town from their home in Great Falls, Montana, for a family visit. With them, they brought Joshua, their new son, who was born April 27, 1988. This was Joshua's first visit to meet his grandparents, Tom and Judi Ellis of Romulus and Cecil and Evelyn O'Dell of Wyandotte. □

Schoolhouse

A very pretty sight awaits those who take a drive down Hunt Street near the corner of Goddard, but its significance lies in more than just its attractive red-with-white-trim exterior. It is also a historical landmark (whose renovation is not quite complete).

What is this sight, you say? It is the old schoolhouse that (maybe) some of your great grandparents attended.

The house, which most recently was located on Goddard near Romulus Video, was moved by the Romulus Historical Society to its present location beside the new Post Office, and is going to be a local museum. The history surrounding it is most interesting.

Much work has been put into the restoration of the old schoolhouse by the Historical Society, Rotary Club members, and U.S. History students from Enterprise High School, and several thousands of dollars, from both grants and private contributions, were spent.

The little red schoolhouse is something we can all be proud of. Be sure to stop and take a look at it, both inside and out. □



Library's used book sale a success

Codependents and Enablers

little girl?" "Stop crying. Big boys don't cry." They learn these lessons early, then they practice them. One becomes what one practices. In adulthood, these people bring these perceptions and attitudes to their adult relationships.

Only when people understand the reasons why they act like they do, can they begin to change their perceptions, attitudes, and actions. It is important for these 'enablers' to follow the 'three As' if they want to change — Awareness: being aware of their self-defeating behavior; Acceptance: taking ownership of it; and Action: doing something to change it.

Mary was a classic example of an enabler/codependent. In her dad's rage, he would constantly beat and slap around his kids. This became a matter of course in her home while she was growing up. Later, when Mary married John, the behavior that John displayed modeled what her father had done. Others couldn't understand how she could allow him to give her black eyes and visible bruises. She seemed to tolerate it and make excuses for him, as if she had set him up to hurt her. She was acting as she always had — as a victim. As painful as the situation appeared, she was more 'comfortable' repeating a known behavior than with confronting John and not taking it. It is far more risky and frightening to put a foot down and leave an abusive situation than it is to repeat a known behavior and feeling.

Larsen says in his book, "We become one parent, and marry the other." Mary had become her mother and married her father. The more a person tolerates another's bad behavior, the more permission s/he gives the other to continue that poor behavior. In other words, s/he 'enables' the other to be abusive. When a person begins to resent his/her part in enabling (perpetuating intolerable behavior), s/he is following the first 'A' — Awareness.

How do you change once you have an awareness of what you are tolerating? First, you begin to take care of yourself. Being responsible for yourself and for your children means that your obligation is to keep the children and yourself safe from verbal, physical, and sexual abuse. This is your responsibility; children cannot protect

themselves as well as you can.

Second, stop apologizing for someone else's bad behavior when it is inappropriate. Stop seeking all of your approval from her/him. Be content with giving yourself approval.

Third, accept the fact that others close to you will be very threatened by this change in you; that's okay. You will be highly criticized for it . . . and that's okay, too. Acknowledge their discomfort. ("I'm aware that my new action makes you uncomfortable, but I still love you. I just won't be your doormat anymore.") As you grow healthier and stronger, they will either have to change some of their behaviors, too, or it will become too threatening and they will leave.

People who continually find themselves in abusive relationships can learn to understand why they accept this position in life. Once they accept (the second 'A') how they got there, they can take action and learn strategies to change their behavior, protecting them from becoming a victim again. "In relationships, my lot in life changes, not when I first demand change of the other, but when I seriously take stock of myself." (Larsen, 1987)

Al-anon and ACOA (Adult Children of Alcoholics) address these issues at their meetings. Self-help groups are valuable because they help us look at ourselves through the experiences and hopes of others. They are not designed to 'air dirty laundry.' They help people with the 'three As' — awareness, acceptance, and action.

Therapy can also help people redirect their attitudes and perceptions. Call Romulus Help Center for names of local resources.

Flea Market Fundraiser

October is Substance Abuse Awareness Month, and Romulus is planning a Flea Market Fundraiser on October 1, with all proceeds going to the Mayor's Drug Task Force. If you would like to contribute \$10 and set up a table to show your wares, please phone now for a reservation. Call 942-7585 and ask for Jacque.

Do you have any questions on Substance Abuse? Write to:

Substance Abuse
c/o The Romulus News
11114 Sterling
Romulus, MI 48174 □

"Classic" Magic

by Tom Shamanski

Coca-Cola "Classic" has been on the market approximately two years and is proving to be the best move the Coke people ever made. All the reasons for reintroducing the original Coke formula as "Classic" Coke are too cumbersome to detail here. But, believe me, folks, the reintroduction was a stroke of marketing genius, no matter how it truly came about.

In an article written during all the hullabaloo, a Mr. Brian Dyson, president of Coca-Cola USA, was quoted, "The products, markets, and advertising strategies are clearly defined. Coke is competitively positioned for young America . . . while Coca-Cola Classic will update its unique heritage by being portrayed as an integral part of contemporary America."

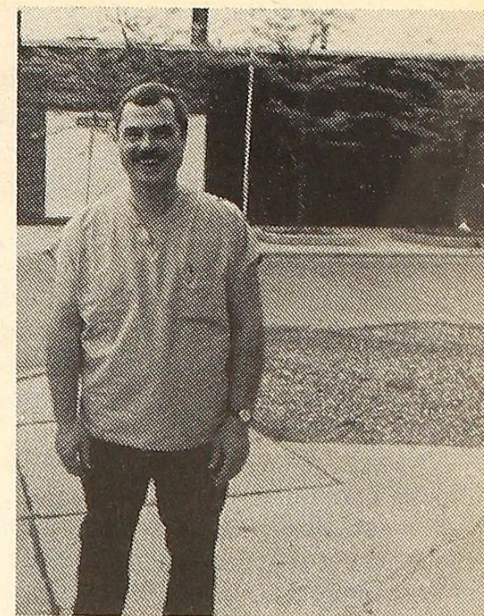
Simply stated, adding the word "Classic" to its original-formula cola magically identifies Coke with a "unique heritage." Think about that — it's a great idea! "Classic" Coke automatically becomes "an integral part of contemporary America." Absolutely! Who's to say no? Move over mom and apple pie . . . "Classic" Coke is comin' on through! Heck, with all these new impressive credentials, a person not consuming gallons of "Classic" Coke every week could easily fall under a shroud of suspicion. A Communist, perhaps? Does his or her boss know about this? Is Pepsi stock involved here?

What prompts me to rattle my brain cells rehashing all this business stuff is one simple thought: if such a marketing miracle can be achieved for original-formula Coke, why not for *anything* old and crusty? *Anything* sagging at the seams? *Anything* that's seen brighter times?

By adding the word "Classic," any object could spontaneously be born again, become renewed. Happy days are here again! That object could again command the respect it lost through aging — all this, of course, based on its newly proclaimed "unique heritage as an integral part of contemporary America" . . . and blah, blah, blah. But, best of all, folks, our "Classic" whatever would be worth more money!

My tired, rusted 1980 Ford Escort comes to mind: "*Ford Escort Classic*." Now, that's good! Suddenly, the car's grimy, rust-infested body and its often-failing mind become transformed. It's a slow, burly caterpillar majestically blossoming into a magnificent, stunning butterfly. Like slight graying around a man's temples, body-rust now becomes a mark of distinction! Those loud, offensive burps spewing from my multi-cracked muffler are now reminiscent of the deep-throated purr of a Jaguar X.J. And, of course, my "Escort Classic" no longer "lurches forward"; it now has plenty of "get-up-and-go." Naturally, since becoming a "Classic," the value of my newly converted machine begins to appreciate. What? Trade it in? A "*Classic*"? Not now . . . no way!

Second-hand shops could benefit tremendously from this new, innovative concept. Their inventory could soar in "Classic" prestige and price. The mind flashes . . . "Nehru Jacket Classics,"



"Pink Flamingo Statue Classics," and, yes, even "Eddie Fisher Album Classics." It goes on and on.

Consider one of America's basic passions — garage sales. My gosh, everything at a garage sale is old and sagging. Slap a "Classic" sign on all this stuff and we're talking big bucks! Look out, Kmart; look out, Sears; all your trinkets are new.

And what about people? If inanimate objects can be magically transformed via "Classic" use, why not those of us rounding third and heading for home? After all, we can't be the flavor-of-the-month forever. Our President could be a good example. Let's try it on for size — "*Ronald Reagan Classic*."

Darn, darn, and darn! I've gone too far again. Sorry, folks, but the whole "Classic" concept just washed out! □

Training Program

Heritage Hospital will become one of the first hospitals in Michigan to offer a Registered Nurse first assistant training program. The five-day conference will be held October 31 through November 4 at Heritage Hospital, 24775 Haig, Taylor.

Including both didactic and practicum sessions, the course concludes with four hours of lab experience. Clinical application of material learned is determined by the participant's individual facility. Registration information can be obtained by calling C. Miller,

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Training Program

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This program reflects an expanded role for operating-room nurses as the first assistant to the surgeon during surgical procedures. Formerly, the first assistant has been a surgeon or a qualified surgical resident. Since this is not always possible, the Association of Operating Room Nurses has developed guidelines enabling registered nurses trained in perioperative nursing to become first assistants.

Along with the traditional skills of the perioperative nurse, the Registered Nurse first assistant needs proficiency in tissue handling, providing exposure, using instruments, suturing and the provision of homeostasis. During surgical procedures, the RN first assistant works under the direct supervision of the surgeon.

The importance of the RN as the first assistant in a surgical procedure is underlined as hospitals face increased staff shortages and the need for resource effectiveness. Heritage's first assistant conference was developed to meet these needs while providing the technical knowledge required by nurses interested in the first assistant role. □

New Service from Treasurer

by James Napiorkowski, Treasurer, City of Romulus

As you may recall, last month I wrote about my intention of installing a Drop Box for tax and water bills paid after hours.

That plan is now a reality. After having the opening made in the glass, I constructed the box myself to keep the cost down. The DPW mounted the box, and is currently in the process of making a sign for it.

The Drop Box is located at the main entrance to City Hall. Hopefully, it will make bill-paying more convenient for those with schedules that conflict with our business hours.

I ask only one thing: please, for your own protection, *do not pay in cash*. Payment should only be made by check or money order. Your cancelled check will be your receipt should there ever be any questions about your bill.

As a reminder, 1988 Summer Tax Bills are due on September 30, 1988. This bill should be paid on time to avoid paying any late penalties. For those individuals who have qualified for the Summer Tax Deferment, you have until February 14, 1989.

During my campaign last year, I stressed that I believed very strongly in "Working Together," and I intend to do just that. I certainly would welcome

any ideas that would help me improve services for our community. Anyone with suggestions can reach me at my office by either writing to:

James Napiorkowski, Treasurer
City of Romulus
11111 Wayne Road
Romulus, Michigan 48174

or calling 942-7580. Thank you. □

Free Classes

by D. A. Atkins

If you would like to become proficient in clerical/word-processing skills, then here is your chance. The Romulus Adult Education program has joined hands with Ser-Metro Detroit to give those who qualify a chance to learn a new career at no charge. To qualify for this Federally funded program, you must be between the ages of 17 and 19, and have received neither your G.E.D. nor your high-school diploma.

According to Mr. Jones, who has been a recruiter for Ser-Metro for two years, Ser-Metro was started 17 years ago, and has its own free job-placement program for its graduates.

The program is held at the Beacon School, on Olive Street in Romulus, and this is the first year it has been made available to Romulus residents. There are a limited number of seats, so interested parties should call 941-8488 or 941-8489 immediately.

Please do not pass up this opportunity; it is a chance for you to receive training for a whole new career — at no charge. □

New Carpet and Curtains?

by D. A. Atkins

According to Romulus City Councilman Ellis Pennington, a motion to furnish the Council secretary's office with new carpet and drapes was made by his fellow Council member, Jimmie Raspberry, at last Monday's meeting.

Pennington, in a recent interview, said he opposes this method of 'sprucing up' the secretary's office because it is not in accordance with the City Charter. He says the Charter specifies that the money must be appropriated and, according to him, this has not been done.

Pennington said that he brought this fact to Raspberry's attention, but was told that the Administration finds money for anything else it wants to do.

Pennington voted against the proposal, as did Councilman Gear. □

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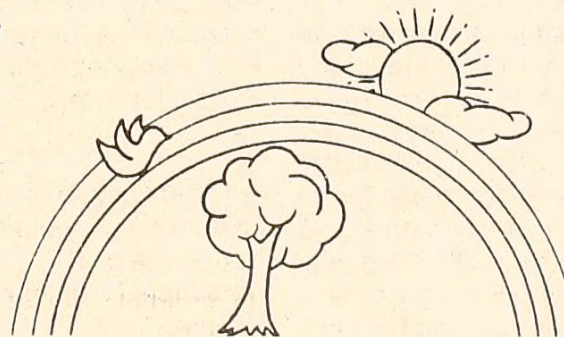
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THE SENIOR CLASS

by Mary Clark

Wedding Bells

Wedding bells will ring for Frances Filek and Charles Fry at 7 p.m. on September 23 at St. Alfred Catholic Church (on Telegraph at Baske in Taylor). The reception, which will be held at Romulus Towers, will begin at 8:30 p.m., and all Towers residents are invited to attend.

Congratulations and best wishes for a happy future together.

Happy Birthday

Best wishes to the following people from Romulus Towers who celebrate September birthdays: William Taylor, Bess Reeves, Harvey DeRosier, Ola Mae Stafford, Bernice Bell, Lucille (Lucy) Miller, Viola Dowis, Vi McLean, Verdell Bailey, Elsie Karbginaky, Stella Randall, Muriel Smith, Margaret Wilson, Alice Briggs, and Jessie Crandall.

Church Services/Bible Classes

The following church services and Bible classes are held at the Towers (all residents are welcome): Sundays — nondenominational church services are conducted from 9 to 9:30 a.m. in the multi-purpose room (Nelson Pearson, Minister); Wednesdays — study fellowship classes are held at 9 a.m. in the card room (Rev. Landis of the United Methodist Church); Thursdays — Bible classes are held from 10 to 11 a.m. in the card room (Joe Hickman, Minister); and second Friday of each month — St. Aloysius has services in the card room at 6 p.m.

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The following information was taken from *The Communicator*, the Romulus senior citizens newsletter.

Downriver Senior Olympics Update

Romulus senior citizens are winners! We all know that but, just to prove it, let me tell you about the Downriver Senior Olympics. Although the Senior Olympics have been held for several years, this is the first year some of our Romulus seniors have participated.

Floyd Collins represented us in the pool tournament. After winning the first round of play-offs, Floyd was unsuccessful in the semifinals.

In the bowling tournament, we were well represented in various age and gender categories by Joe and Helen Constante, Margaret Maciejewski, Dave and Mabel Ries, Ann Rakotz, Mary Sprau and LaVern Warden. Our 'coup de grace' came from Dave Ries, who won a *Gold Medal* in the men's age 70 to 79 group, with an average of 176. We are all very proud of Dave and his accomplishment.

If we can do this well our first year, they had better watch out for us next year!

P.S. When word got around how hard the competition was going to be with Paul Vereb in the Checkers Tournament, no other seniors would enter and the event had to be cancelled!

Bowling League

The Senior Citizens Bowling Season is about to begin, and more bowlers are needed. Call Marilyn at 942-6852 for more information. Come on and enjoy this fun sport. You don't have to be a good bowler to join!

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Senior Center News

Thanks to Barbara Schultz for the following news from the Romulus Senior Center.

The Center is very busy this week, with all classes starting except the Quilting class, which will begin in the month of October. Every senior will find something of interest here at the Center — we offer ceramics, knitting and crocheting, needlepoint, exercise classes, bingo, and Weight Watchers. Call the Center for days and times.

Drop in and check out the sign-up sheets for the day trips on the senior van. We have three day trips with seats still available.

On Friday, September 23, we will be visiting the shopping mall on Telegraph, which contains a Kmart, Lee Ward, and many smaller shops. The fee for this trip is \$1.50, with lunch at your own expense.

The following Friday, September 30, we will go to Northville for their Tivoli Arts and Crafts Fair. The fee for this trip is \$1.50, with lunch at your own expense.

The bus tour of the Dow Chemical plant in Midland is on October 13, and will include a strip-steak luncheon and a tour of the Japanese Cultural Center for \$29.95.

We are also offering a trip to Nashville, Tennessee, for four days and three nights for \$245 per person. This fee includes hotel accommodations, three dinners, and a tour of Nashville, the Country Music Hall of Fame, Hermitage Mansion, and the Grand Ole Opry. The seats are going fast, so come in soon!

Need help with Emergency Assistance, Health Care, Housing, In-home Help, Legal Services, or Nutritional Service? The Information Center can steer you in the right direction. Call for more information — 282-7171.

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The following information is reprinted from a newsletter from U.S. Senator Donald Riegle.

Catastrophic Illness Protection Has Become Law

Last year, I held seven hearings across Michigan on the health care needs of senior citizens and the problems faced by people who have no health insurance. Over 3,200 people attended these hearings and hundreds of people testified and shared their problems and suggestions.

These suggestions helped me as I worked with other Senators to improve Medicare to include catastrophic health care coverage. Approved in June, the new law is the largest expansion of Medicare since it began in 1965. Under the new law, Medicare now:

- limits out-of-pocket expenses for hospital stays to one deductible per year, or approximately \$560 in 1989.
- provides an unlimited number of days in the hospital.
- places a \$1370 cap on out-of-pocket expenses for doctor bills beginning in 1990.
- begins prescription drug coverage in 1991; with a \$600 beneficiary deductible and coinsurance of 50% in 1991, 40% in 1992 and 20% in 1993.
- protects one spouse from being impoverished when the other goes into a nursing home or incurs major medi-

cal expenses by allowing the spouse who is at home approximately \$750 in monthly income and a minimum of \$12,000 in assets.

- expands coverage for skilled nursing home care from 100 to 150 days, including my amendment to eliminate the three-day prior hospitalization requirement.
- increases coverage for home health and hospice care and improves coverage for respite care.

I am pleased that this first step to improve Medicare has been taken. We must now find ways to protect seniors against the catastrophic costs of long term care, both at home or in a nursing home. If you would like additional information on the new Medicare catastrophic health insurance, contact me at 105 Dirksen Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. □

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ROMULUS HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SCHEDULE — FALL 1988

Cross Country

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Th	Sept. 22	Southgate	Home	4:00
Tu	Sept. 27	Ann Arbor Huron	Home	4:00
Th	Sept. 29	Belleville/Ypsilanti-Lincoln	Home	4:00
Sa	Oct. 1	Wayne Invitational	Away	TBA
Tu	Oct. 4	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Away	4:00
Tu	Oct. 11	Taylor Truman/Taylor Center	Away	4:00
Tu	Oct. 18	Melvindale	Away	4:00
Th	Oct. 20	South Central Conference Meet	Ypsi.	TBA
Sa	Oct. 29	Regionals	TBA	TBA

Head Coach: Dan Henry

Girls' Basketball

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Th	Sept. 22	Erie-Mason	Home	5:30
Th	Sept. 29	Ann Arbor Huron	Home	5:30
Tu	Oct. 4	Edsel Ford	Home	5:30
Th	Oct. 6	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Away	5:30
Tu	Oct. 11	Garden City	Home	5:30
Th	Oct. 13	Ypsilanti	Home	5:30
Tu	Oct. 18	Taylor Baptist Park	Home	5:30
Th	Oct. 20	Adrian	Home	5:30
Tu	Oct. 25	Belleville	Home	5:30
F	Oct. 28	Essex	Away	4:00
Th	Nov. 3	Ann Arbor Huron	Away	5:30
F	Nov. 4	Essex	Home	4:00
Tu	Nov. 8	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Home	5:30
Th	Nov. 10	Ypsilanti	Away	5:30
Tu	Nov. 15	Highland Park	Away	4:00

Head Coach: Ron Bayes; Assistant Coach: Julie Price

Golf

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Th	Sept. 22	Melvindale/Ypsilanti-Lincoln	Home	3:30
F	Sept. 23	Belleville	Away	2:45
Tu	Sept. 27	Ann Arbor Pioneer (Quint)	Away	3:45
Th	Sept. 29	Romulus (Quint)	Home	3:45
F	Sept. 30	Belleville/Wayne (Fellows Creek)	Away	3:45
M	Oct. 3	Adrian (Quint)	Away	3:45
Tu	Oct. 4	Erie-Mason	Home	4:00
Th	Oct. 6	Garden City/John Glenn (Fellows Creek)	Away	3:00
M	Oct. 10	South Central Conference Meet	Huron	TBA
F	Oct. 14	Regionals	Bedford	TBA
Sa	Oct. 15	Regionals (Continued)	Bedford	TBA

Head Coach: Bill Knight

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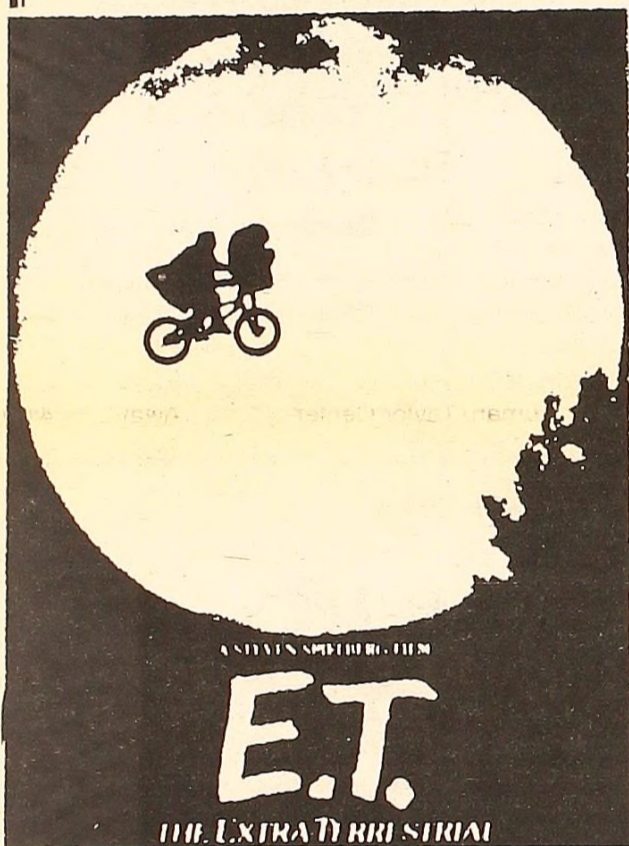
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RAHAC News

The following is a reprint of the August, 1988 (Vol. 1, No. 1) newsletter of the Romulus Adolescent Health Advisory Committee.

Since September, 1987, through a grant from the Michigan Department of Public Health, the Romulus Adolescent Health Advisory Committee has been meeting to determine the health status and needs of Romulus teens. The junior and senior high school students and their parents were surveyed.

Through various public and parent meetings and community presentations a number of questions have arisen. This newsletter — the first of many — will try to answer some of those questions.

Q. What is the Romulus Adolescent Health Advisory Committee?

A. The Committee includes representatives from the School District, Heritage Hospital, Wayne County Intermediate School District, Wayne County Health Department, the Romulus Help Center, Romulus Youth Assistance and Family and Neighborhood Services. Also, clergy, parents, students, city representatives, and other citizens of Romulus are involved.

Q. What do you mean by "a need for health services"?

A. The junior and senior high school students were surveyed in April of 1988, as were their parents and parents of 6th graders. The students indicated involvement in some risky behaviors: almost 3 of 10 senior high students take drugs at least once a week; 3 of 10 junior high students drink beer or wine at least once a week; 3 of 10 junior high schoolers and 7 of 10 senior high schoolers are sexually active; 2 of 10 senior high students think of suicide at least once a week; 1 of 10 junior high students are abused at least once a week; and 3 of 10 senior high schoolers smoke cigarettes once a week or more often.

In addition, the parents who responded (91% of whom supported establishing a teen health center) thought teens need help with alcohol and drug abuse, personal problems, and peer pressure and that school and sports physicals, immunizations and weight control services ought to be provided to Romulus teens.

However, the surveys weren't the only sources of information for deter-

mining a "need for health services." The committee gathered information from the school counselors, the Romulus Help Center, the Romulus Police Department, the Wayne County Health Department, Protective Services, the school nurse, and area hospital admissions records for Romulus teens, as well as assessing available physician and clinic services for teens.

Q. Isn't this just an attempt to set up a teen health center?

A. NO. The purpose of the first year of planning was to determine if there was a need for teen health services. Surveys and other data indicated a need, so the Committee must now determine how to meet the need. Establishing a teen health center is ONLY ONE of the possibilities being considered. The Advisory Committee has not yet made any final decision about what ought to be done.

Q. I don't like the idea of my teen getting health care without my knowledge. How will I know what is going on?

A. The Health Department requires that each community determine its own policy on parental consent for health services to teens. Approval of this policy from the local advisory committee is required. The policy must also be approved by the School Board if a health center is established and it is in a school or on school property. Most existing teen health centers require signed, verified parental consent before the student can be seen, except in an emergency. The Advisory Committee will be discussing this issue as it discusses the form of health services to be provided.

Q. Can birth control devices be dispensed by a teen health center if it's located in the schools?

A. No. Public Act 226 of 1977, Section 1507(7) states: "A person shall not dispense, or otherwise distribute, in a public school, a family planning drug or device." Provision of birth control-related services — counseling, information, prescriptions — would be available if and only if the community wanted such services to be provided and would of course need to meet legal requirements.

Q. Is the School paying for this?

A. NO MONEY from the School is being used. The current Project is funded only through the Michigan De-

partment of Public Health.

Q. I have some ideas and some concerns about services for Romulus teens. How can I participate in shaping this program?

A. The Advisory Committee enthusiastically welcomes your participation. There are a number of ways to get involved:

- Attend the Advisory Committee meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 2:30 p.m. at the School Administrative Offices. Participate in our working sub-committees. All meetings are open to the public and announced in local newspapers.
- Host a house meeting, or "coffee clutch," at your home. Invite a few of your friends and neighbors; find out what's being done, and get your questions answered.
- Invite a member of the Advisory Committee to your church, civic, social or other group for a presentation.
- Get on our mailing list if you aren't already.
- Visit the Project office and look through our library of information. Take some home with you and share it with others.

The Committee's proposal to the Health Department for a second year's planning grant recently received the highest rating in the state. The Committee was awarded \$20,000 for the coming year.

For summaries of students and parent surveys, general information, or

further information about how you can get involved, call Kathleen Conway, RAHAC Project Director, at 941-1600, ext. 23. □

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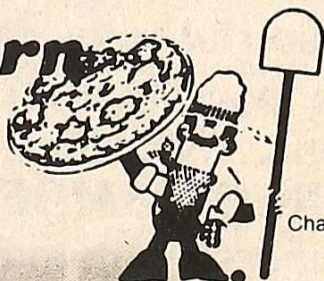
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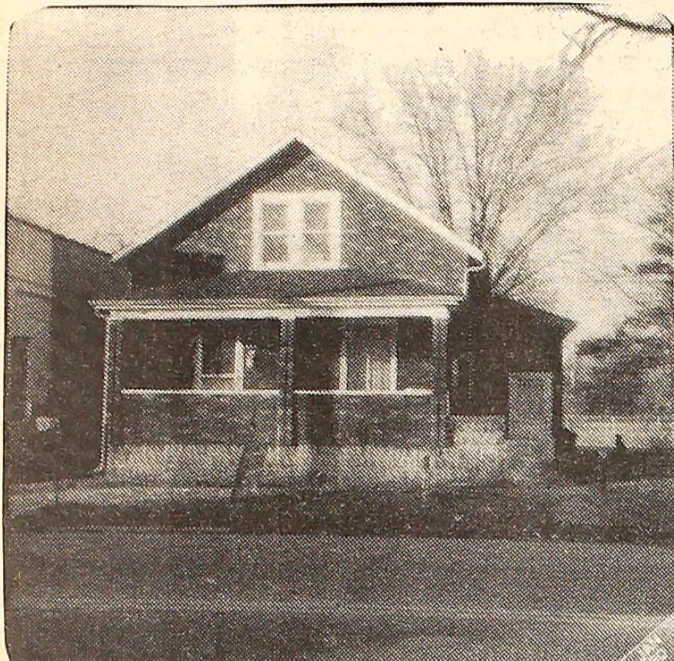
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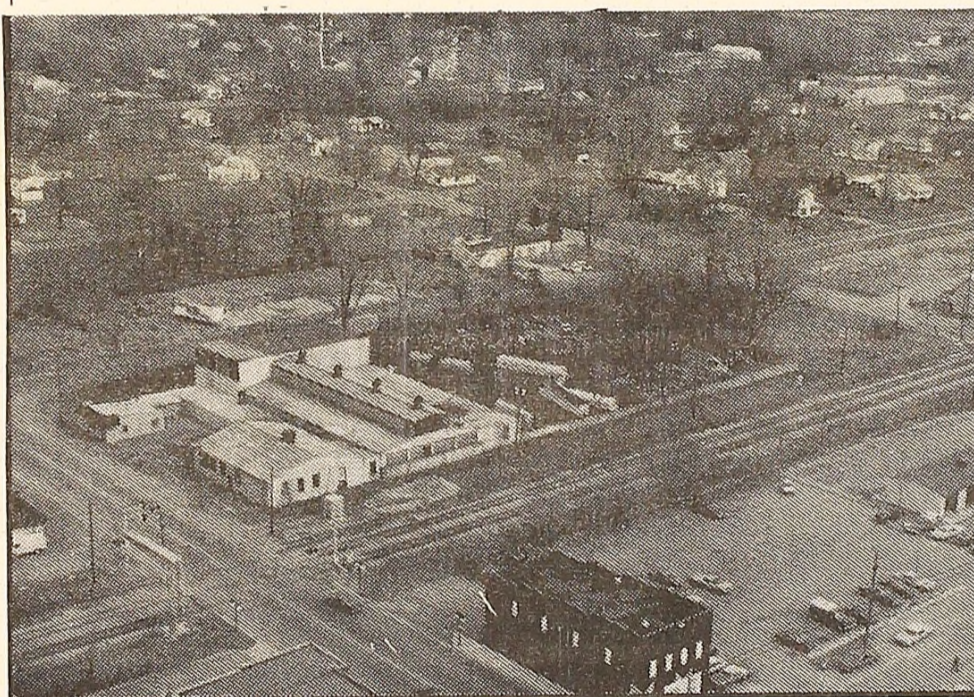
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This picture was taken shortly after it was moved to its present location on Hunt Street, near the Post Office.

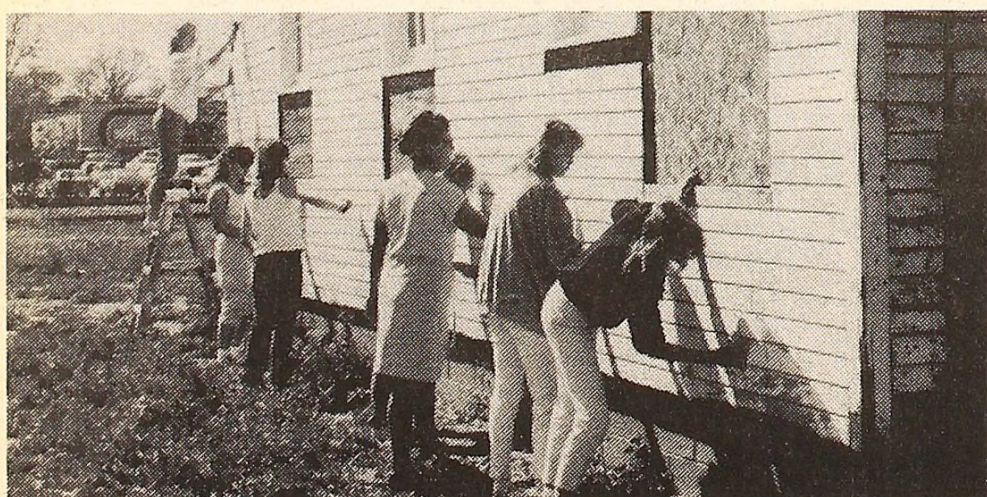


When remodeling started, second front-entrance was found.



An aerial view of the old foundry where the new Post Office and schoolhouse now stand.

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SITE IN 1973



Romulus students help paint and fix the schoolhouse.



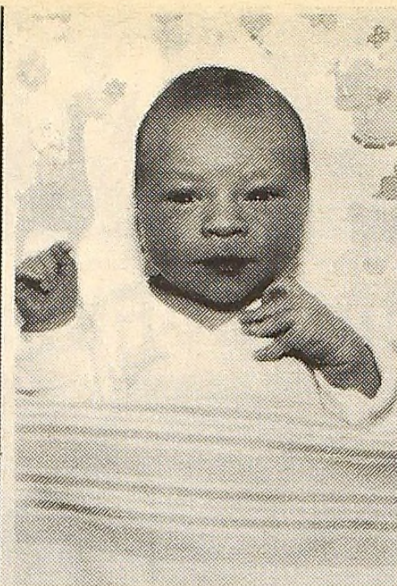
It's almost back to the original school.

Lots and Lots of New Tots

Kristopher Ryan Hindman

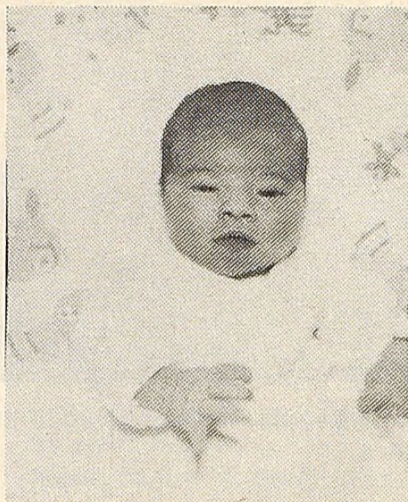
Lori and Alan Hindman, of 14324 Cogswell in Romulus, are proud to announce the birth of their new son, Kristopher Ryan Hindman. Kristopher was born at 7:26 a.m. on August 8, 1988, in Wyandotte General Hospital. He measured 19½ inches and weighed seven pounds, nine ounces.

Kristopher's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Oldham of Romulus and Mrs. Betty Rzepala of Wayne, are also pleased with the latest addition to the family.



Krista Michele Smith

Dawn and Bert Smith, of 36916 Grant Road in Romulus, gave a loving welcome to the newest member of their family, Krista Michele Smith. Krista was born at 8:38 p.m. on July 20, 1988, in Garden City Hospital. She weighed seven pounds and one ounce, and measured 20 inches.



Krista also has some happy grandparents — Bruce and Trudy Larson of Romulus and Ron and Ruthann Hopson of Belleville.

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Charles (Chad) Dean Zolynsky

Ginger and Daniel Zolynsky, of 41720 Savage in Belleville, are very proud to announce the birth of their new son, Charles Dean Zolynsky. Chad was born at 9:56 p.m. on August 18, 1988, in Annapolis Hospital. He measured 21 inches and weighed eight pounds, five ounces.

Chad's grandparents, Dean and Jean Tyree of Romulus and Charles and Alice Zolynsky of Allen Park, are also happy with the latest addition to the family. □

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
September 21	This is the last day of the Fall Used Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Romulus Library. The sale will take place at the Romulus Public Library from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
September 21	The Girl Scout All-City Adult Cluster Meeting will be held at St. Aloysius at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement.
September 21	Romulus High School will hold its Open House at 7 p.m.
September 22	The Romulus Adolescent Health Advisory Committee will hold a meeting at 2:30 p.m. in the Romulus Community Schools Administrative Office Building. It is open to the public. For more information, call 941-1600, ext. 23.
September 24	The Third Annual Fifty-Five and ALIVE Conference will be held at the Presidential Inn in Southgate. Workshop topics at this conference, which features insights into the health and personal well-being of older adults, include Discount or Deception, New Treatments of Vision Disorders, Volunteerism, Personal Safety, Sleep Disorders, Traveling Well, Protecting Your Assets, Mind Over Matter (dealing with depression), and Over-the-Counter Medications. A \$7 registration fee covers the cost of a hot lunch, information packet, three workshops, the general session, and a resource center. Advanced registration is necessary; call 295-5028 between 1 and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.
September 26	The Romulus City Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.
September 26	The Romulus Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Romulus Community Schools Administrative Office Building.
September 30 to October 2	Romulus residents are welcome to attend the Ninth Annual Huron Township Applefest in Downtown New Boston. Attractions include a parade, bed race, apple pie contest and auction, talent show, mini fair, Michigan State Championship Old-Time Fiddler's Contest, and numerous booths.
October 1	October is Substance Abuse Awareness Month; therefore, the Romulus Help Center will hold a City-wide Flea Market on this day to raise funds for the Mayor's Drug Task Force. If you would like to contribute \$10 and set up a table to show your wares, or if you would like more information, call Jacque Martin-Downs at 942-7585.
October 1	Junior Girl Scout Troop #704 will hold a Bicycle Safety Day at Elmer Johnson Park.
October 3	The Romulus City Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.
October 5	A Girl Scout Adult Workshop for Romulus leaders only will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at Wick Elementary.
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October 29	The Barth-St. Aloysius-Wick Girl Scout Cluster will hold its Cluster Halloween Party at the Civic Center from 6 to 9 p.m.

To place information in the Community Calendar, please call 941-3113.

HERE'S TO YOUR HEALTH

Osteoporosis

This reprint from Biomedical Information Corporation's Compendium of Patient Information was submitted for publication by J.H. Barden, D.O.

Osteoporosis is a disease marked by thinning of the bones, making them brittle and more vulnerable to spontaneous fractures. The disease affects some twenty million people in the United States. After the age of forty-five, it is nine times more common in women than men. Older persons are more susceptible than middle-aged people, and whites and Orientals more than blacks. Fair-haired, fair-skinned people are particularly vulnerable. Osteoporosis tends to run in families; a person who has a close relative with the disease is likely to develop it later in life.

Osteoporosis is irreversible after a certain stage. However, with treatment its progression can be halted or at least slowed down. You may already have osteoporosis or be at risk of getting it; in either case, there is a lot you can learn and do about the disease.

Bone Changes

Bone is a living tissue that is constantly being broken down and rebuilt in very complex ways, even in adults. Bones require calcium, vitamin D, and phosphorus; the availability and use of these substances by the skeleton is regulated by hormones, and physical stress on ends of the bones is necessary to help them form and grow. The contribution made by calcium—in association with vitamin D—seems to be the most important factor in this process. The absorption of calcium into bone in women is ultimately dependent upon the hormone estrogen.

Some degree of bone loss is an inevitable consequence of aging. In people with osteoporosis, however, the rate of

bone loss considerably exceeds that of bone formation.

Causes of Osteoporosis

Exactly what causes the increased loss of bone due to osteoporosis is unknown. However, there appear to be many contributing factors, including hormonal imbalances, which affect the absorption of calcium and phosphorus, and the decrease in estrogen production in menopausal women. Almost one in four postmenopausal women has osteoporosis; the disease also develops early in women who have had a premature menopause due to surgical removal of the ovaries. Women with small bones appear to be particularly susceptible to this disease.

Other factors relating to an individual's life-style may have an effect on the development of osteoporosis. Prolonged bed rest, immobilization, and inactivity promote bone loss in young people and, to an even greater extent, in the elderly. Inadequate nutrition, including a diet lacking in calcium, vitamin D, and protein, is also thought to contribute to the onset of the disease.

Common Features

Osteoporosis is sometimes called a "silent" disease because it generally remains undiscovered until a fracture occurs. One of the earliest and most common signs of osteoporosis is a gradual decrease in height and rounding of the shoulders following menopause as a result of small, spontaneous fractures occurring in the spinal column. The wrists and hips are also very susceptible to easy fracture.

The change in curvature of the spine may produce a nagging backache. Severe or sharp back pains are rare, but they should be brought to your doctor's attention immediately, as they may be the result of a spontaneous collapse or fracture of one or more of the bones that make up the spinal column.

Prevention

By paying close attention to the amount of calcium you are receiving in your diet, the amount of exercise you do daily, and the amount you smoke or drink, you can help to protect yourself from developing osteoporosis.

Calcium. To reduce the risk of developing postmenopausal osteoporosis, doctors now advise any woman who is forty-five or older to increase her calcium intake. One way of accomplishing this is by increasing your consumption of foods that are naturally high in calcium. Some of these foods include kale, spinach, turnip greens, raw oysters, sardines, and canned salmon. The greatest source of calcium, however, is dairy products, such as milk and cheese. If you find it difficult to get enough calcium from your meals alone, your doctor may prescribe calcium supplements and, sometimes, vitamin D, which helps the body absorb calcium better.

Exercise. Any kind of physical activity can help slow down the rate of bone loss associated with osteoporosis. Therefore, it is highly desirable to exercise regularly. While it may not be possible for you to engage in strenuous physical activities, you can always take daily walks. Regular exercise, particularly if it stresses weight-bearing, can be very effective, since it keeps both bone and muscle healthy.

Cigarettes and alcohol. Although there is no direct link between these two substances and osteoporosis, an unusually high percentage of women who have osteoporosis are cigarette smokers. Also, some sources believe excessive alcohol intake may increase the risk of developing osteoporosis.

Precautions

Elderly people who have osteoporosis should take every precaution to avoid accidental falls. This disease is responsible for many of the hip, wrist, and spinal

fractures that occur in elderly women. If glasses are necessary for general vision, they should always be worn. A walking stick or frame should be used if you do not feel steady on your feet. Shoes and slippers should have skid-resistant soles. In addition, handrails in bathrooms and sturdy banister rails along all stairs, inside and outside, should be installed for safety.

Treatment

Treatment of osteoporosis is geared toward halting, or at least slowing, the progress of the disease. This may involve increased calcium intake, estrogen-replacement therapy (provided there is no contraindication), physical therapy, and exercise.

At least six glasses of milk or equivalent servings of other high-calcium foods (such as cheese or yogurt) and a small supplement of vitamin D may be prescribed to be taken daily. Oral calcium supplements may also be prescribed. For postmenopausal women with osteoporosis, estrogen-replacement therapy has been shown to be the most effective way of slowing bone loss. Today, many doctors prescribe a combination of estrogen with a synthetic progestogen to simulate the hormonal environment existing before menopause. As with any medication, there may be certain side effects from such a regimen; report any you notice to your physician.

Exercise is very important. If you are bedridden, confined to a wheelchair, or your ability to move is restricted, physical therapy should be received on a regular basis. Walking is good exercise for those who do not want to take part in active sports, or cannot do so because of their general health.

Summing Up

Bone loss to some degree is inevitable as we grow older. In osteoporosis, however, the process is more pronounced.

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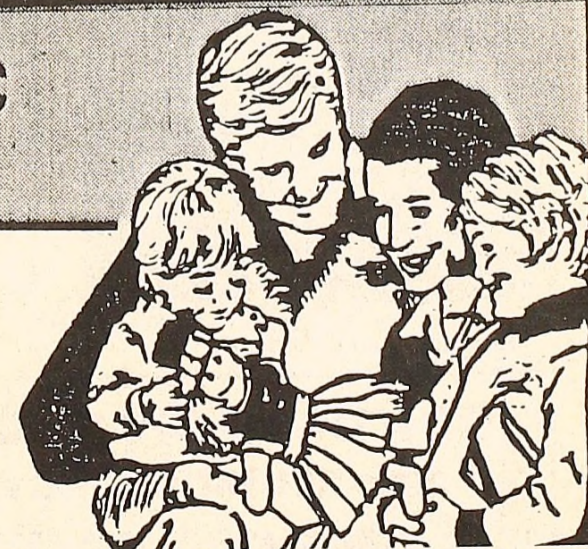
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by D. A. Atkins

County Commissioner Milton Mack sent one of his assistants, Jerry Higgs, to the Romulus area last week to check on a story concerning the Crain Drain that appeared in this paper back in May.

Mr. Higgs spent well over an hour with Mayor Beverly McAnally, Councilman Ellis Pennington, and the Assistant Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW), Melvin Zilka, looking over the drain situation at the Crain Drain site and in the Metro Airport area.

It is believed that the re-routing of the Crain Drain has been a major cause of water backups on Eureka between I-275 and Wayne Road, and that the problems with the Crain Drain and the drains which support the Airport area (off of Wayne Road near Northline) are the cause of the flooding in both the Crain Drain and the wetland area across from it.

The problem with the Crain Drain was brought to my attention over a year ago by Councilman Pennington and another Romulus resident, Mr. Anderson. After the initial article appeared in *The Romulus News*, Commissioner Mack's office contacted me and said that people from there would be looking into the problem. To this point, Mr. Mack has been a man of his word, and I suspect that he will continue taking the residents' drain problems on his shoulders and getting them straightened out if possible. At present, he is working on the Crain Drain problem, and that, in itself, could be a very time-consuming task. □



Pennington and Anderson

Health

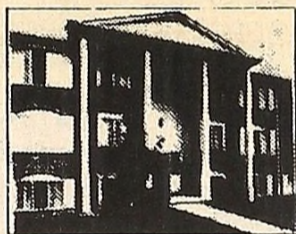
bones are weaker and thinner (especially those of the spine), and fractures can occur more easily.

New treatments are being developed that may increase bone formation and thereby reverse osteoporosis. Meanwhile, however, the object of treatment is to stop or slow down the progress of the disease. Current treatment involves an increased intake of calcium, estrogen replacement (where appropriate), physical therapy, and exercise. Preventive therapy for premenopausal women consists of a diet high in calcium and vitamin D, and getting regular exercise. □

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W	Oct. 5	Erie-Mason 7&8 (2 games)	Home	4:00
W	Oct. 12	Redford Pierce	Home	4:00
W	Oct. 19	Willow Run	Away	4:00
W	Oct. 26	Monroe Cantrick	Home	4:00

Coaches: Don Foley, Tom Williams

Girls' Basketball

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Tu	Sept. 27	Redford Pierce	Home	3:30
Th	Sept. 29	Riverside	Away	4:00
Tu	Oct. 4	Ypsilanti-East	Away	
Th	Oct. 6	Garden City	Home	3:30
Tu	Oct. 11	Ypsilanti-West	Away	
Th	Oct. 13	Hilbert	Home	3:30
Tu	Oct. 18	Southfield Christian (7&8)	Away	4:15
Th	Oct. 20	Redford Pierce	Away	3:30
Tu	Oct. 25	Riverside	Home	3:30
Th	Oct. 27	Ypsilanti-East	Home	3:30
Tu	Nov. 1	Garden City	Away	
Th	Nov. 3	Ypsilanti-West	Home	3:30

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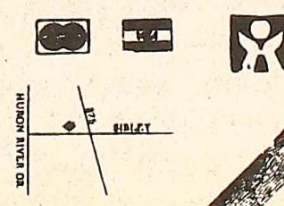
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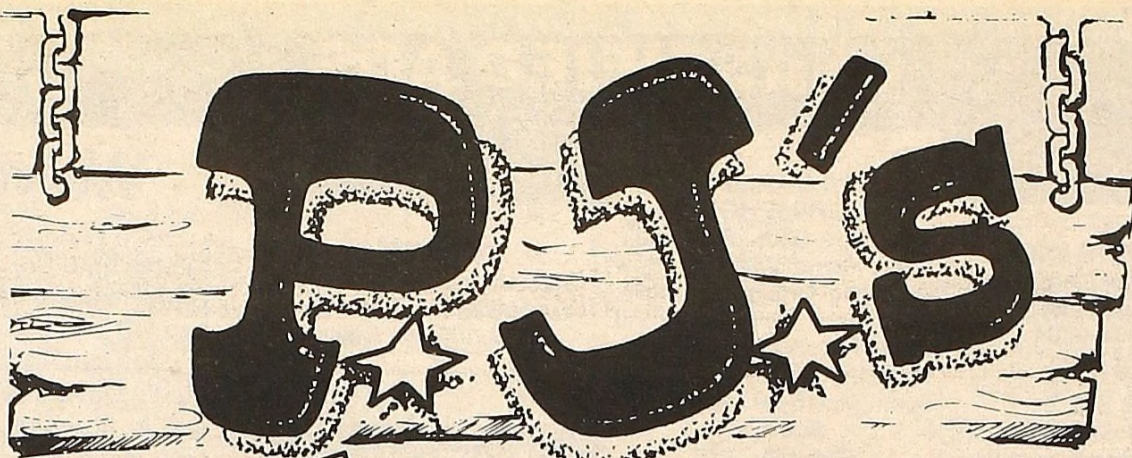
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